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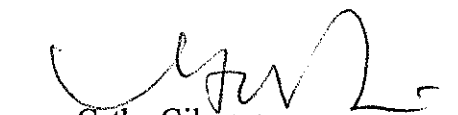
Dear Mr. Jasper:

As you are aware, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Lake Columbia Regional Water Supply Reservoir Project, Cherokee and Smith Counties, Texas, is being reviewed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under an extended comment period granted by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. EPA's review is required pursuant to Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act.

EPA appreciates the extension to the comment period the Corps provided to our agency ending on Monday, May 17, 2010. However, because of the ongoing oil spill occurring in the Gulf of Mexico and the National attention being afforded this catastrophe, we are unable to meet the May 17th deadline. Therefore, EPA requests the comment period be further extended ending Friday, June 4, 2010.

Thank you for considering our request. If you have any questions, please call Mike Jansky of my staff or myself at 214-665-7451 or 214-665-6766 and/or e-mail us at Jansky.michael@epa.gov or Gilmore.cathy@epa.gov for further assistance.

Sincerely yours,


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